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Each year, Lander President Dr. Daniel Ball and wife Marjorie welcome faculty back to campus for a new academic year with a catered reception. The event provides a great opportunity for the president and first lady to catch up with returning faculty and get to know faculty members who are new to campus. Pictured at the reception, Marjorie Ball, center, greets Dr. Andre Lubecke, left, chair of Lander's Department of Mathematics and Computing, and Dr. David Slimmer, dean of Lander's College of Science and Mathematics. – Photo by Russell Martin

Growth and New Endeavors

The 2009-2010 academic year has been a time of change and new endeavors at Lander University. In the pages of this issue, you'll read about the significant growth that has taken place at the university over the past months – growth in facilities, growth in enrollment and growth in academic opportunities.

In September, the university broke ground on the Jeff May Complex, soon to be home to Lander's soccer, softball, baseball and tennis programs, and in October, we celebrated the grand opening of the Lander University Equestrian Center, which is serving the community through its therapeutic riding program and academic offerings.

You'll learn more about the academic growth taking place at Lander, including the addition of two new minors: therapeutic horsemanship and musical theatre. You'll meet the students who are taking Lander across borders through participation in the Honors International Program and mission trips. A new campus radio station, TV program and online version of the student newspaper are expanding Lander's presence throughout the community – and beyond.

As you'll read, it has been a year of record enrollment, leading the university to expand its housing options to meet the rising demand. It has also been a year of stellar athletic seasons, including another Peach Belt Conference tournament championship for the men's soccer team and a first-ever NCAA Division II Sweet 16 appearance by the women's basketball team.

We'll introduce you to some of the new faces at Lander, including Ralph Patterson, who has taken on the role of director of Development. There are articles on Lander alumni who are using their expertise to change the way we look at health care and education, and there are articles on Lander faculty who are using their experience to change the way we look at literature, photography, and even origami.

It's a new spring season, and – just like the trees and flowers around us – Lander is in full bloom!

— Megan Price
Editor

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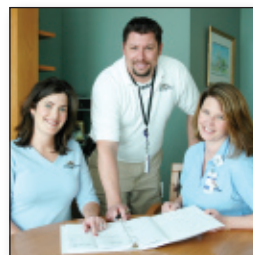
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A Red Carpet Affair

Students and alumni rolled out the red carpet for Homecoming 2010, displaying their school spirit in a number of exciting ways, from reminiscing about the Lander of yore to vying for the top spot in Lander's student Homecoming competition.



Take the Hill

Members of Tau Kappa Epsilon push their soap box up the Willson Street hill, as crowds of spectators follow to see which group will reach the bottom of the hill the fastest during the annual Homecoming Soap Box Race.



Crowning Achievement

Lander crowned a new Homecoming King and Queen: early childhood education major Megan McCartney of Laurens and sociology major Zack Freeman of Starr.

In the Winner's Circle

Members of ATO show off their decked-out ride for the Soap Box Race. At the conclusion of the week, ATO placed first overall in the Greek Division for Homecoming 2010.

—Photos by Russell Martin



Chalk it Up

Members of Phi Mu take a break while working on their entry in the Homecoming Sidewalk Chalk Competition. Phi Mu took second place in the chalk competition and second place for the Greek Division in the overall Homecoming competition.





Go Bearcats!

The Bearcat Dancers cheer as the women's basketball team takes on Flagler during the Homecoming basketball game.



30 Years

Founding members of the Lander chapter of Kappa Sigma Fraternity pause for a quick photo during the group's 30-year reunion. – Photo by Chandler Darling



Back on Campus

From left: Tiffini Tillman, Class of 1998; Denise Walker, '97; Tiffany Palmer, '97; and Nita Donaldson, '98 strolled the Lander campus between Homecoming week-end events to see how the campus had changed since they graduated. They also enjoyed two events, a meet and greet and alumni social, hosted by the Lander Black Alumni Network.



Fired Up!

Members of Lander's cheer and dance teams warm themselves by the bonfire during Homecoming week activities. The cheer and dance teams took the top spot in the Open Division for Homecoming 2010. – Photo by Terrance Scott



Winning Putt

Terry Bryan, '87, sinks the winning shot during the putting competition that preceded the Alumni Golf Tournament. A record number of alums participated in this year's tournament, with over 50 in attendance.



Family Fun

This year, Lander's Alumni Association invited alums to bring their kids to the Family Fun Zone. Braxton Dahmer, son of Britt Galloway Dahmer, '95, greets the Bearcat at the bottom of an inflatable slide.



On the Wall

Banners from organizations competing in the Open and Greek division Homecoming competition fill the walls of Finis Horne Arena during the Lander vs. Flagler basketball games.



Groovin'

Guilherme "Gui" Ochoa Agustini of Brazil demonstrates his skills on the guitar during the Homecoming Talent Show. Gui's group was one of several that performed during the talent show just for fun and not as part of the Open and Greek division competitions. – Photo by Terrance Scott

ALUMNI WEEKEND 2009

Welcome Lander Alumni

By Russell Martin



Class of '49

Returning for their 60th-year reunion were, from left: Mary Elizabeth Bodie Green, Hilda Creed Marshall, Marjorie Hipp Mills, Betsy Page Gilliam and Evelyn Forrester Freeland.

Lander's 2009 Alumni Weekend events welcomed back graduates of all ages. Festivities began on Friday, Oct. 23, with a golf outing at the Greenwood Country Club. On Saturday, Oct. 24, events focused on 60th-, 50th-, 40th- and 30th-year reunions for the classes of 1949, 1959, 1969 and 1979. Several alums from various graduating classes were also in attendance.

Alumni also had the chance to learn more about the origins of their alma mater and its founder at the premiere of the homegrown documentary titled *S. Lander – His Life and Legacy*. Nearly 100 descendents of the Rev. Samuel Lander, many of whom are also Lander University graduates, were on hand for the day's festivities.

"Having the Samuel Lander premiere and Lander family from across the country on campus were certainly highlights of the weekend," said Steve Grogan, Class of 1980 and Lander's director of Alumni Affairs. "But we also enjoy class reunions. Some of these graduates haven't seen each other in as many as 60 years. Still, it's like they go right back to the time when they were students. We also enjoy bringing these graduates back to campus and showing them the changes Lander has undergone since they graduated."



Class of '59

Celebrating their 50th year as Lander graduates were, front row, from left: Freddie Lusk Jewsbury, Margaret Wilhelm Freyermuth, Charlotte Irby Barmore, Mary Jo Sherman Abrams, Gwen Herring Shaffer, Jackie Thackston Calvert and Judy Martin McColl. Back row: Betty McFadden Wilson, Dolores Smith Von Rosen, Jessie Finucan, Jean Steele Sox, Julia Easterlin Gooding, Wilma Reeves Phillips, Mary Cooper Jackson and Jerry Clegg.



Class of '69

Returning to Lander for their 40th-year reunion were, from left: Steve Bolton, Jody Mitchell Gentry, Beth McElveen Kendjoria, Brenda Wash, Debby Edwards, Jan Daubener, Sylvia Hooks Graham, Rebecca Barnhill Gadry, Jeanie Criminger Jones, Claudia Davis, Judy Dunlap Stogner and Patrick Penn.



Class of '79

Members of the Class of '79 returning to Lander for their 30th reunion were, from left: Devon Smith, Ricky Bush and Mashura Mufuka.



Long distance travelers

Traveling the farthest distance to attend Alumni Reunion Day were, from left: Mary Elizabeth Bodie Green, '49, Virginia; and Steve Bolton, '69, Alabama.



Keeping with Lander tradition

Alice Scott Beaudrot, right, Class of '41, was the winner of the award given to an alum representing the earliest class. She is pictured with Adam Taylor, '87, Lander vice president for University Advancement and executive director of the Lander Foundation.



A gift of art

Claudia Davis, Class of '69, donated a watercolor, painted by Teri Gainey Bastian, depicting the Laura Lander Hall tower to the university during the Reunion Day Luncheon. Pictured with Steve Grogan, right, '80, Lander's director of Alumni Affairs, Davis said the painting reminded her of the campus as it was when she was a student at Lander.

A Fall of Events

Lander alumni had a busy fall calendar as they came together to beautify the campus, hit the dance floor and travel to Greenville to Fall for Lander. Those in attendance included alums from across generations, from those who graduated in 1930 to a few Student Alumni Association members who are still completing their degrees.

Fall for Lander

From left, Virginia Lynne Rushton Ouzts, Class of 1960, Virginia Nell Ouzts Becknell '88 and Virginia Taylor Rushton '30 were among the more than 60 alums in attendance at Tower Club-Greenville's Fall for Lander Event. Rushton, Ouzts and Becknell represent three generations of Lander graduates. The event was hosted at Countybank's Greenville office in October.



Volunteering with the Arboretum Project

In November Lander graduates and members of Lander's Student Alumni Association joined forces for a campus clean up and to plant shrubs around the Larry A. Jackson Library as part of the university's Arboretum Project. Among those in attendance were Jenine Prescott, left, of Great Falls, a senior business major; and Rodney Jones, Class of 2008, Lander admissions counselor. The event was sponsored by the Lander Arboretum Project and the Alumni Association.



Shaggin' on the Lake

Kat Finkbeiner, right, Class of 1971, lights up the dance floor with her smile during the Lander Alumni Association's Shaggin' on the Lake event in August. Brad Holmes of Laurens, left, also gets down to the beach, boogie and blues music that was featured that evening. These two were among the 75 people who attended the alumni event, which was hosted at Grand Harbor's Cabana on Lake Greenwood.

— Photo by T.M. James, The Index-Journal





Alumni Association Awards



Alumni Association Honors Three with Top Awards

Pictured, from left, are: Don Scott, Lander Alumni Association Board president, Class of 1975; Young Alumni of the Year recipient Erin Knapp Layland, '00; Grace Iler Norman Award recipient G. Mason Speer Jr., '65; and Lander University Alumni Association Distinguished Alumni of the Year Award recipient Lamar Scott, '82. —Photo by Russell Martin

By Dave Lorenzatti

An Elberton, Ga., educator, a Greenwood banker and Abbeville's fire chief are this year's recipients of the highest awards presented by Lander's Alumni Association.

The honorees are Lamar Scott, associate superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction for the Elbert County school system; Erin Knapp Layland of Greenwood, assistant vice president and commercial lender at CapitalBank's Westwood office; and Abbeville Fire Chief G. Mason Speer.

The awards were presented to Layland, Scott and Speer at the Alumni Association's luncheon during Lander's annual Homecoming weekend in February.

Scott received the Distinguished Alumni of the Year Award, given to Lander graduates who have gained distinction in their careers. He received bachelor's and master's degrees in elementary education from Lander in 1982 and 1984, and has an education specialist degree in administration and supervision from Clemson University. He has been associated with the Elbert County School District for 28 years as a classroom teacher and administrator.

His brother, Milton, followed him to Lander where he also obtained bachelor's and master's teaching degrees. He is an educator in the Abbeville County School District.

Lamar Scott chose Lander because he had family in Greenwood and was attracted by the school's small size. "I often say I would put the education and training

I received at Lander up against the best educational institution anywhere."

Over the years, he has recruited many students in his school district to enroll at Lander. He and his family created the Joel M. Scott Memorial Scholarship honoring his father, which provides financial assistance to Elbert County students at Lander.

Scott has served on the Alumni Association's board of directors and accepted an invitation to rejoin the board in April. As for receiving the Distinguished Alumni Award, he said, "I am very honored."

Abbeville native Erin Knapp Layland graduated from Lander in 2000 with a degree in sociology with a criminal justice emphasis. She received the Young Alumni of the Year Award honoring alumni who have graduated from Lander within the last 15 years and serve their communities in exemplary ways.

She is vice president of the Alumni Association board and is active in the Tower Club-Greenwood alumni group. She frequently speaks to Lander students about her banking career.

Layland has worked for CapitalBank for more than 10 years, beginning as a part-time teller while a Lander student. She has also held volunteer positions with community organizations, including the Greenwood Area Chamber of Commerce, MEG's House, Community Initiatives and the Arts Council.

She is married to Dr. Ralph Layland, chair of Lander's Department of Physical

Sciences, and they have two daughters.

Layland said she is honored to receive the Young Alumni of the Year Award. "Lander has been a blessing to me. I will do anything I can to give back."

Mason Speer said he was "shocked and flattered" to receive the Grace Iler Norman Award, which recognizes significant achievements within the Alumni Association and the university. Speer was also surprised last fall when the South Carolina Association of Fire Chiefs presented him its Fritz Turner Award recognizing his contributions to public safety and the fire service.

Speer graduated with a business degree in 1965. He said, "Lander has been good to me," noting that, in addition to the education he received, it was where he met and began dating classmate Connie Yeargin, also a 1965 Lander graduate, who would become his wife. The Speers have been married for 43 years and have two children.

Speer has been with the Abbeville Fire Department for 47 years, 19 of them as chief. He worked for and later owned Henry Gilliam Florist in Abbeville, which was started by his grandparents and remained in business for 64 years. He also serves as Abbeville's zoning administrator.

Active in Lander's Alumni Association for many years, Speer was the first male elected president of the board of directors. In 1979, he received Lander's Distinguished Alumni Award. He said, "I was shocked and flattered then, too."

CLASS NOTES



Class Notes are compiled by Steve Grogan, director of Alumni Affairs. Please mail items for Class Notes to Alumni Affairs, CPO Box 6004, Lander University, 320 Stanley Ave., Greenwood, SC 29649 or e-mail items to sgrogan@lander.edu.

Kay Rish Gregory '69 retired after 20 years with Clemson Extension of Greenwood County. She may not have had a traditional classroom, but she was a teacher of life skills to many.

S. Anne Walker '72 has been named by the Girl Scouts of S.C. — Mountains to Midlands Chapter to receive their Woman of Distinction award, which recognizes role models for aspiring young leaders. Ann is the executive director of the Alston Wilkes Society and has served since 1987 as an advocate for criminal justice, homelessness, mental health and veterans' issues. She is a former member of Lander's Alumni Board of Trustees.

Thomas K. Hardy '75 retired after 32 years with The Palmetto Bank. Tom was executive vice president, regional executive for Laurens County.

David A. Thompson '81 was honored by the National Federation of High School Officials Association as the Volleyball Official of the Year for 2009-10 for the State of Missouri. David has also officiated high school and semipro football, and high school and NCAA Division II basketball.

Lamar Scott '82 was elected in June to another one-year term as State Treasurer for the Professional Association of Georgia Educators (PAGE). This will be his 20th year serving on the State Board of PAGE. Lamar teaches and resides in Elberton, Ga.

Betsy Pike Goodman '83 was named Lexington County School District 1 Teacher of the Year. Betsy teaches Gifted and Talented

third-fifth grades at Pleasant Hill Elementary.

Jill Watson Riley '85 completed her doctorate of education at Walden University.

Andy Miller '91 returned in July from a 12-month deployment to Iraq. Andy is based at Fort Wainwright, Ala. He is the senior instructor pilot in the 6th Squadron and was awarded the Combat Action Badge and the Bronze Star for his service in Iraq.

Walter G. "Jerry" Stevens '93 received the 2009 Independent Banks of S.C. Leadership Award at their 45th Annual Convention. The award is presented to a non-CEO executive who has demonstrated by action and deed those characteristics associated with the image, perception and high standards of community banking. He was also elected to the board for the S.C. Council on Economic Education.

Rochelle Ellenburg Binion '94 graduated from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary with a Master of Divinity degree. She is working her clinical pastoral residency at Trinity Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler, Texas.

Stacey Lemmond '95 graduated from the Women's Campaign School at Yale University. This annual five-day course prepares women to run for office, move up the ladder to an elective office or run campaigns for women running for public office. Stacey founded and runs Ask & Receive Inc. in Greenville.

Nathan Holman '96 is director of e-marketing for Senior Solutions, a nonprofit that serves the elderly in the Anderson area. Nathan worked with Cox Custom Media for 10 years.

Christie Brewster '99 was selected as a July Employee of the Month with Self Regional Hospital.

Jeff Phillips '00 joined County-bank Insurance Inc. as a commercial lines account executive. Jeff had been with another agency since 2005.

Angela Gilbert Strickland '02 has joined national law firm Bowman and Brooke LLP, trial lawyers who specialize in product liability and contract cases. Columbia is the firm's seventh office.

Mark Heimburger '03 was selected as a July Employee of the Month with Self Regional Hospital.

Julia McCutcheon Wilkie '03 was hired by the City of Greenwood as assistant to the city manager.

Lindsey S. Jones '04 received the Directors Award from the Mauldin Chamber of Commerce. The award is based on the recipient's enthusiasm and involvement with the chamber.

Nina J. Wright '04 received her Master of Art in human resources from Webster University. She works for Doctors Care in Greenville as a patient service representative supervisor.

Alicia Sanders Maxie '09 joined David A. Crotts & Associates Inc. insurance office as a licensed property and casualty agent. She was a customer service representative in the commercial lines department.

WEDDINGS

Weddings took place in 2009 unless noted.

Matthew Lawrence Bell '96 and Christina Collins Wells, Greenwood, Sept. 26. Matthew is a probation/parole agent with the S.C. Department of Probation, Parole and Pardon Service. They live in Greenwood.

Nikki Danyelle Carr '02 and Robert Brown, Aiken, July 4. Nikki is an insurance and billing specialist for Family MedCenters

of Aiken. They live in Ridge Spring.

Mollie Brooke Watts '02 and Matthew Paul Titus, Greenwood, Nov. 27. Mollie is a library assistant with Self Regional Healthcare. They live in Greenwood.

Karen Elizabeth Gunter '03 and Justin C. Eakin, Greenwood, July 18. Karen is a fifth-grade teacher with Greenwood District 50. They live in Greenwood.

Candace Meredith McMullan '03 and Jarett Stone, Starr, June 20. Candace is a fourth-grade teacher at Iva Elementary and is pursuing a second master's degree from Walden University. They live in Starr.

Robert Guy Nichols '03 and Elizabeth Chambers McIntosh, Lake Lure, N.C. June 20. Robert works with Genesis Healthcare in Gaffney. They live in Shelby, N.C.

Sharon Brooke Crawford '05 and Brant M. Anderson, Abbeville, July 25. Sharon is a patient account representative at Greenwood Regional Rehab Hospital. They live in Greenwood.

Christopher Michael Redfern '05 and Ashlee Nicole Smith '07, Greenwood, Aug. 15. Chris is employed with Chili's and Ashlee is employed with Self Regional Healthcare. They live in Greenwood.

Elizabeth Shaw Reading '06 and John Reading, Columbia, July 12, 2008. Elizabeth is a teacher at Hammond School.

Brittany Lane Robinson '06 and Mark Patrick Loyd, Greenwood, Oct. 11. They live in Colorado.

Jonathan Andrew Link '08 and Courtney Elizabeth Gates, Greenwood, June 20. Jonathan is a police officer with the City of Charleston. They live in Charleston.

Don Lloyd '83 Named Health Care System President



Don Lloyd came to Lander on a music scholarship and wanted to become a professional musician. But his plans changed after taking an economics course. "I was hooked," he said, "and switched my major to business administration."

Lloyd has spent 25 years in health care finance and administration and, in late 2009, he was appointed president and chief executive officer of Marion Regional Health Care System in Marion County.

He had been executive vice president of the private, nonprofit system.

After graduating from Lander in 1983, he received his MBA at Francis Marion University. Early in his career, he was director of human resources and comptroller at Laurens County Health Care System in Clinton.

The Alabama native has maintained close ties to Lander over the years, serving on the university's Health Care Management Advisory Board and its successor, the Business Advisory Council.

He also established the Clem P. Ham Scholarship at Lander for health care management students. Lloyd said, "Clem took a chance on me to work in the finance department when he was the CEO of Laurens County Health Care System. He was my mentor." The scholarship, he said, is a tribute to him.

Lloyd returns to Lander periodically as a guest lecturer on health care management. He said he enjoys having a chance to speak with and hear from students whom he described as the next generation of health care professionals.

He added, "Lander is a unique university. I owe it a great deal personally and professionally."

Dr. Lemuel Patterson '78 Honored for His Dedication as a Teacher

Dr. Lemuel Patterson has received the Mary McLeod Bethune Outstanding Teacher Award from the National Alliance of Black School Educators, which cited his dedication and commitment to student achievement. The Abbeville native received a degree in early childhood education from Lander, a master's from the University of South Carolina and his doctorate from South Carolina State University. He is a science specialist at Burton-Pack Elementary School in Columbia and, early in his career, he taught fifth grade at the former Central Intermediate School and East End Middle School, both in Greenwood. Patterson said, "I have instilled in my students an interest in science and a curiosity about the world. I strive to guide my students toward becoming successful participants in our global society."

He has served as mission commander of the Challenger Learning Center in Columbia, which is dedicated to building a scientifically literate population and helping students develop skills in



decision-making, problem-solving, teamwork and communication.

Dr. Lemuel Patterson helps a student with a science experiment at Burton-Pack Elementary School in Columbia.

Advocating for the Less Fortunate is Her Niche



Beth Summer-Straight graduated from Lander with a political science degree in 1985 but found her calling in behavioral health 10 years later while working as a volunteer with the Union County Mental Health Association. Because of her achievements in that field, she has received the Order of the Palmetto, South Carolina's highest civilian award.

After receiving a master's from the University of South Carolina, the

Jonesville native took a job in marketing and public relations and considered a career in journalism. But she joined the Union County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, where she worked for seven years and created programs that won national and local recognition.

She is the executive director and CEO of PACE, a nonprofit mental wellness center in Spartanburg, and has received several awards for her work on behalf of individuals with mental illness.

Summer-Straight said advocacy is her niche. "I have worked very hard to try to erase the stigma of mental illness."

Rep. Rita Allison (R-District 36, Spartanburg) nominated her for the Order of the Palmetto. In a letter that accompanied the award, Gov. Mark Sanford wrote, "Your entire life and career have been marked by a level of achievement that brings enormous credit to our state."

Her husband, Robert, is the deputy director and treatment director for the Cherokee County Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse in Gaffney. His grandmother, Margaret Ferguson Strait, was a member of Lander's graduating class of 1921.

The Straits are the parents of a son, Daniel, 6.

Summer-Straight considers Lander a launching pad to her career. "The university's faculty provided me with opportunities to go as far as I could go." She also credited members of her family for teaching her empathy and compassion for others.

Alum Makes Divine Splash on Food Network



Debbie Lyons Dill, center, Class of 1990, works with the Food Network crew that filmed her team, Divine Smoke, during the 2009 South Carolina Festival of Discovery barbecue competition.

Debbie Lyons Dill, Class of 1990, her husband Dennis and their close friend David Hord have taken their barbecue team, Divine Smoke, to competitions from Nashville, Tenn., to Edisto Island, but it was at home in Greenwood that the trio's culinary skill reached a national audience. Divine Smoke was one of a handful of teams featured on an episode of *Food Network Challenge* that was filmed in July at the South Carolina Festival of Discovery in Uptown Greenwood.

During the festival, Divine Smoke was surrounded by their own Food Network team, including a cameraman, sound engineer and producer.

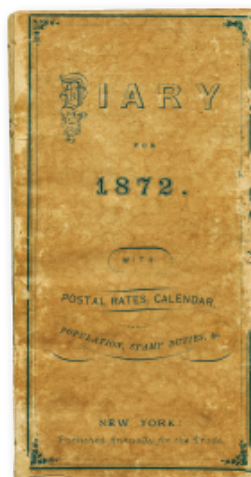
"It's hard to talk when you have a camera in your face," said Debbie Dill. "At first, we were concentrating on more than just winning and that threw off some of our timing." But after a short while of working with the Food Network crew, the team began to mellow out and get back to their usual competition focus. "We enjoyed working with the Food Network crew and getting to know them," said Dill. "By the time they left, I think they fell in love with the people and the town."

The episode, titled *The Great American BBQ Showdown*, aired on Food Network in January, and Dill's team was one of four S.C. Festival of Discovery teams featured in the episode. "It was a great opportunity for our team as well as a great showcase for the festival and the Greenwood community," said Dill.

Divine Smoke's origins come from Dennis Dill's love of grilling, which, according to Debbie, began when he was a kid. But what was once a backyard hobby turned into something very different when Divine Smoke entered their first barbecue competition, which happened to be the first S.C. Festival of Discovery in 2001. Since then, the group has competed regularly in Kansas City Barbeque Society (KCBS) and South Carolina Barbeque Association (SCBA) sanctioned events. In 2008, they were invited to the prestigious Jack Daniels Invitational in Lynchburg, Tenn.

Samuel Lander's 1872 Journal Donated to the University

Leading up to the premiere of *S. Lander – His Life and Legacy*, a film chronicling the life of the university's founder, the Rev. Samuel Lander, an exhibit in Lander's Monsanto Gallery went on display offering glimpses of the state educator whose ac-



tions shaped the lives of many South Carolinians. The exhibit featured items from the life of the Rev. Lander, including a journal containing a line from February 12, 1872: "Our school opened today with 33 pupils." The line references the opening of Williamston Female College, the college that would become Lander University. The journal was loaned to the university by the Rev. Lander's granddaughter-in-law Olive Lander Wilson, who was also a film contributor. When the exhibit closed, Wilson felt the journal should remain at Lander to preserve the memory of the school's founder. She presented the

journal to Lander President Dr. Daniel Ball in December. It is currently housed in the university's archives, located in Lander's Larry A. Jackson Library.

Lander Alum Shares Inspiration and Wisdom with Lander Resident Assistants



This fall, Dr. Ralphel Smith, Lander Class of 1990 and assistant director of Residence Life at the University of Georgia in Athens, shared a bit of wisdom with Lander resident assistants (RAs). Specifically, Smith helped Lander RAs understand their role as leaders. "I believe that to be successful in any leadership position one must demonstrate respect for those people with whom you work

and those you serve," said Smith. "Respect relates to confidentiality and diversity. I also believe that leaders must have some sense of who they are, which takes a great deal of self-reflection in order to be secure and strong." Smith's own role as a leader has not gone unnoticed. Last spring, he received the Charles W. Beene Memorial Award at the Southeastern Association of Housing Officers (SEAHO) conference in Birmingham, Ala. This award is presented annually to the individual judged to have contributed most to the success of SEAHO during the previous year. Smith is also an adjunct faculty member in the Department of Counseling and Human Development Services at the University of Georgia.

BIRTHS

Births took place in 2009 unless noted.

Audra Ringer Smith '91 and William Stuart Smith, Newberry, a son, William Stuart Jr., March 1.

Lizbeth "Liz" Queen Smith '96 and Scott Smith, Easley, a son, Mason Scott, Sept. 9. Liz is a teacher at Berea Middle School. Mason joins big sister Molly, 3.

Jason P. Turner '96 and Stephanie Turner, Greenwood, a son, Jet Ethan, July 23. Jason works in customer service for Velux.

Christopher J. Yeargin '97 and Marcia C. Yeargin, Ridge Spring, a daughter, Emily Ruth, July 4. Chris is a pastor at Ridge Spring Baptist Church.

Julie Kidd Driver '99 and Stuart Driver, Greenwood, a daughter, Campbell Elizabeth, May 13. Campbell has a big brother, Andrew, 4. Julie teaches special education at Merrywood Elementary.

Kimberly Larue Schoolfield '99 and David Schoolfield, Greenwood, a son, Michael Elijah, Aug. 22. Kim is Lander's cheerleading coach. David teaches at Bell Street Middle School in Clinton and works with Kim as assistant cheerleading coach.

Greg F. Sears '99 and Abbey Sears, Greenwood, a son, Thomas Jennings, March 30. Greg owns his own landscaping company.

We want to credit and thank photographer Kevin E. Felder for the photo of Rozalynn and Michael Goodwin and their daughter who were featured in the Fall 2009 Lander Magazine.



Lander Class of 2004 biology graduates Timothy and Sherita Brown and daughter Tycianna Maria Brown, 2, welcomed the family's newest edition, Timothy O'Neil Brown II, in September. In May, Timothy and Sherita will graduate as optometrists from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University in Elkins Park, Pa.

Michelle Patterson Timmons '00 and Jess Timmons, Greenwood, a daughter, Harper MacLaine, Nov. 3, 2008. Harper joins big sister Brecklyn Grace, 2.

Jennifer Atkins Wilsey '00 and Chad Wilsey, Pinewood, a son, Cameron Thomas, Oct. 20. Jennifer left her position as assistant director of nursing at Covenant Place to be a stay-at-home mom. Cameron has a big brother, Carson, 3.

Kathy Parks Lindley '01 and Jamie Lindley, Greenwood, a daughter, Sydney Camille, Feb. 18. Kathy is a stay-at-home mom.

Tina Powell Burgess '03 and Joshua Burgess, Marietta, a son, Daniel Robert, June 30, 2008. Tina teaches first grade at Paris Elementary.

Courtney Ashley Burton '03 and Jason Burton, Honea Path, a daughter, Ella Grace, May 17. Courtney is a nurse with DHEC Home Health Services in Anderson.

Christopher R. Rathburn '04 and **Jennifer Green Rathburn '06**, Greenwood, a son, Brody Ray, June 3. Chris is a customer service rep for Eaton Corp. and Jennifer is an RN with Self Regional.

Lauren Powers Hood '05 and Justin Hood, Easley, a daughter, Arley Charlyze, Sept. 19. Lauren is a registered nurse in Greenville.

IN MEMORIAM

Deaths took place in 2009 unless noted.

Aleen Felder Shuler '29, Orangeburg, March 7, 2010. Aleen had served on the Branchville public schools' board of trustees and was a member of Providence United Methodist Church. Surviving are a daughter-in-law, eight grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren. Aleen was 102 years old.

Hilda Collier Berry '31, Orangeburg, Feb. 12. Hilda taught in several public schools during her 20-year career. She was a member of Providence United Methodist Church. Surviving are one son, one daughter, three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Laura Averett Arrington Chovan '31, Gainesville, Ga., March 2. A retired schoolteacher, Laura taught in South Carolina and Washington, D.C., schools. She was a member of Gainesville First United Methodist and most remembered for her dramatic portrayal of Martha Washington, which she performed more than 80 times, in three states, for 90,000 people. Surviving are one son, two daughters, four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Anna Bass Thomas '32, Savannah, Ga., Oct. 29, 2008. Anna was formerly from Easley and taught school in Pickens, Easley and Greenville. She was a member of First Baptist Church. Surviving are one daughter and one sister.

Lillie Hart Werts '34, Ninety Six, June 26. Lillie was active in the community and loved gardening and flower arranging. She was a member of Ninety Six Presbyterian Church. Surviving are five sons, 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Salena Parrish Griffin '35, Easley, Jan. 26. Salena taught elementary school for 32 years. She was a member of Pickens First Baptist Church. Surviving are three sons, one daughter, 13 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and one sister.

Bessie Reese Aycock '39, Columbia, March 24. Bessie was a proud "Lander Lilly" and a first-grade teacher prior to marriage. She

was a member of Trenholm Road Methodist Church. Surviving are her husband, one son, one daughter, two granddaughters and one sister.

Sarah Coursey Hartzog '43, Blackville, June 22. Sarah taught school in Springfield and Blackville. She was a member of Double Pond Baptist Church. Surviving are her son and daughter-in-law.

Doris Taylor Hammett Stevenson '44, Greenwood, April 23. Doris was a retired caseworker with the South Carolina Department of Social Services. She was a member of Immanuel Lutheran Church. Surviving are her husband, one son, one daughter and two stepchildren.

Frances "Faye" Hyman Bostick '46, Pamplico, Feb. 19, 2010. Faye was a member of the Colonial Dames XVII Century and the First Baptist Church of Pamplico. Surviving are two sons, a daughter and five grandchildren.

Lena Pridgen Bowen '46, Harrisburg, N.C., Nov. 8. Lena was a member of the Lander women's basketball team. She was active in several community and civic organizations and was a leader in Girl Scouts, Brownies and Cub Scouts. She was a former mayor of the town of Harrisburg and served many years on Town Council. Surviving are two sons, two daughters, five grandchildren and two brothers.

Doris Pruitt Brockington '46, Greenwood, Dec. 3. Doris was a secretary and a charter member of the Emerald Chapter of Professional Secretaries International. She served many nonprofit organizations and on several boards. She was a loyal supporter of Greenwood-Lander Performing Arts and the Greenwood Community Theatre. Surviving are a stepson, a daughter, two grandchildren and a sister.

Thelma Motley Burke '46, West Columbia, April 2. Thelma was an accomplished seamstress and a member of All Saints Episcopal Church. Surviving are her husband, two sons, three daughters, nine grandchildren, six great-grandchildren, one brother and one sister.

Kathryn Smith Brown Sheppard '46, McCormick, Aug. 25. Kathryn owned Smith's 5 & 10 stores in McCormick, Calhoun Falls, Ninety Six and Saluda. Surviving are a son, a daughter, five grandchildren, ten great-grandchildren and a sister.

Sarah Grace Busbee Kozma '47, West Columbia, April 8. Sarah taught elementary school for more than 40 years. She won several awards and published a phonics textbook for parents and tutors. Surviving are two sons, one daughter, six grandchildren, two great-grandsons and one sister.

Frances Jean Lusk Mercer '50, Georgetown, Aug. 23. Frances was a retired elementary schoolteacher. She was a member of Oak Grove United Methodist Church. Surviving are a son, two daughters, seven grandchildren, three brothers and four sisters.

Eleanor Jester Rowland '55, Newport News, Va., Feb. 18, 2010. Eleanor taught in three states, from elementary to college level. She was an avid volunteer for several organizations and churches. Surviving are her husband, two sons and two grandchildren.

Sylvia Byrd Watts '57, Conway, Nov. 13. Sylvia taught in Horry County Schools and was a member of First United Methodist Church. Surviving are her husband, a son, a daughter, four grandchildren and a sister.

Calvin L. Parkman '58, Greenwood, April 24. Calvin was retired from the U.S. Postal Service. He was a member of St. Mark United Methodist Church and the Matthews Lions Club. Surviving are his wife, one son, two daughters, four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Conrad L. Sprouse '58, Rock Hill, March 1, 2010. A doctor, Conrad worked for 25 years with S.C. Mental Health and retired from Catawba Mental Health. He was a member of Episcopal Church of Our Saviour. Surviving are his wife, his son and two grandsons.

Mary Alice Sanders '59, West Columbia, Nov. 15. Mary graduated from the first nursing class at Lander and practiced nursing for 48 years. Surviving are three sons, two grandchildren and two brothers.

Rebecca Prince Howell '60, Columbia, Jan. 7, 2010. Rebecca enjoyed a 45-year career in nursing and retired from Lexington Medical Center. She was a member of Riverland Hills Baptist Church. Surviving are her husband, a son, a daughter, five grandchildren and a brother.

Ted Ivey Jr. '61, Atlanta, Ga., April 16. Ted was director of Laboratory Services at the Atlanta Medical Center and supervisor of Laboratories at the DeKalb County Board of Health. He was a member of St. Mark United Methodist Church in Atlanta. Surviving are one brother, his stepmother, one stepbrother, one stepsister and partner Ralph Willis.

Darrell Gene Drummond '62, Greer, June 30. Darrell was a member of White Oak Baptist Church in Greenville. Surviving are his wife, two sons, three grandchildren, a brother and a sister.

Jacqueline "Jackie" Rayner Thomas '62, Barnwell, June 23. Jackie taught high school English for several years in Barnwell and received the Golden Apple Award from WJBF TV in Augusta, Ga. She was a member of First Baptist Church. Surviving are one son, two daughters, ten grandchildren, her mother and her brother.

Carl C. Johnson '66, Greenville, June 26. Carl was a retired dentist from Greenwood. Surviving are his wife, a stepson and a sister.

Selma Orene Rush Macy '66, Greenwood, April 6. Selma taught in Greenwood School District 50 and was principal of Grenola School. She was a member of South Main Street Baptist Church. Surviving are a son, a daughter, two step-grandchildren, a sister and a brother.

Gloria Marcia Cleveland Yassen '67, Seneca, Aug. 31. Gloria was a former caseworker for DSS and was a member of Westminster United Methodist Church. Surviving are her husband, a brother and four sisters.

Joseph L. Henderson '70, Greenwood, March 9. Joseph was an insurance agent with American General and served in the S.C. Army National Guard. He was a member of First Mt. Moriah Baptist Church. Surviving are his wife, one son, one daughter, two grandchildren, two brothers and one sister.

Jean Tribble McFerrin: A History of Service to Lander



Jean Tribble McFerrin '48, a longtime Lander benefactor, died in Aiken on Feb. 23, 2010. She was 82.

President Daniel Ball said, "Jean served and supported her alma mater at a dedication level of few. She will be sorely missed by the Lander family."

She became a member of the university's Board of

Trustees in 1988 and served on its executive committee for four years. She also shared her business and organizational skills as a member of The Lander Foundation for 18 years.

She was the treasurer of the Alumni Association for 27 years and served as the association's president, recording secretary, investment chairman and area director.

After graduating from Lander, she had a lengthy career as a legal secretary and held leadership positions in Professional Secretaries International chapters in Greenwood, Anderson and Aiken. She was also active in several community service organizations in Aiken.

She and her late husband, Cecil, established two scholarships at Lander: the Jean Tribble McFerrin Scholarship and the Cecil J. McFerrin Scholarship, both for Lander business majors. She also established a charitable remainder trust with Lander as beneficiary.

Over the years, the university recognized her dedication and support with several alumni awards and the University Medallion of Honor. The Jean Tribble McFerrin Amphitheatre on campus is named in her honor.

She is survived by her daughter, Holly McFerrin Huber, son, Earl McFerrin, and two grandchildren.

Charles Dennis Aughtry '69 of Columbia died Jan. 12, 2010. He received a degree in English at Lander, where he played on the basketball team, and obtained a law degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law. A native of Greenwood, he served as assistant and full-time Richland County attorney and acting county administrator. In 2007, he was a candidate for governor of South Carolina. Survivors include his brother, Ronnie Aughtry, of Abbeville, two nieces and several cousins.

Jimmie Randell "Jim" Ridgeway '77, Greenwood, June 15. Jim was retired from Solutia after 40 years of service. He was a Master Gardener and a member of First Baptist Church. Surviving are his wife, two sons, one daughter and four grandchildren.

Gerald Keith Landreth '78, Anthony, Texas, Jan. 7, 2010. Gerald was an archaeologist/anthropologist who traveled the U.S. as an excavation team leader. He wrote numerous articles and research papers for archaeological magazines. Surviving are his wife, one son, his father and two brothers.

Linda Brooks Moore '78, Greenwood, Feb. 28, 2010. Linda worked in many capacities as a nurse, most recently with Whitten Center in Clinton. She was a member of First Baptist Church.

Surviving are her husband, daughter, mother, brother and sister.

David Ray Dendy '84, Clinton, June 27. David was an insurance salesman and member of First Baptist Church of Clinton. Surviving are his wife, two sons, a daughter, his parents and two sisters.

Sharon Cynthia Pruitt '85, Due West, Dec. 18. Sharon was a special needs instructor for several years with Greenville County schools. She later became a certified nurse's assistant and was a patient sitter for Interim Home Health Care and DHEC. Surviving are a brother and two sisters.

Deborah Ellenburg Powell '86, Greenwood, June 10. Deborah was an instructor with Piedmont Technical College and a member of Siloam Baptist Church. Surviving are her husband, a son and daughter,

her mother and one brother.

Elizabeth Higginbotham "Beth" Sugden '88, Greenwood, May 2. Beth was a second-grade teacher at Merrywood Elementary and was a Teacher of the Year recipient from Mathews Elementary. She was a member of First Baptist Church. Surviving are her husband, one son, four daughters, her parents, a brother and a sister.

Jonathan Shea Nash '93, Union, Sept. 19. Jonathan was a Lance Corporal in the Motorcycle Unit of the S.C. Highway Patrol. He was a member of Oakwood Baptist Church. Surviving are his daughter, his parents, a brother and a sister.

Lillian Bradford Hardy Toy '97, Summerville, Aug. 13. Lillian taught at Windsor Hill Elementary in North Charleston.

Surviving are her husband, a son, her parents, two brothers, maternal grandparents and paternal stepgrandparents

SYMPATHY TO

O. Wayne Stevenson '80 and **Kathy Ferguson Stevenson '79** on the passing of Wayne's mother and Kathy's mother-in-law, Mildred White Stevenson, Oct. 4.

Serita Wakefield Acker '89 on the passing of her mother, Lola Wakefield, of Anderson, Jan. 31, 2010.

FACULTY, STAFF & FRIENDS

Former Lander employee **Margaret Ann Scott Ritchie** passed away Aug. 9 in Clayton, N.C. She was editor of The Clayton News-Star from 1996 to 2007.

Lander Mourns the Passing of Sandy Scott, '75



Leland "Sandy" Scott of Abbeville, a 1975 Lander graduate who distinguished himself as a music educator and churchman, died on Jan. 7, 2010, at the age of 67. Scott directed the Abbeville High School Grenadier Marching Band for 16 years and, under his direction, the band won a host of awards and honors. In 1977, the

Grenadiers represented South Carolina in President Jimmy Carter's inaugural parade.

For the last 11 years of his life, Scott was pastor of Callie Self Memorial Baptist Church in Greenwood. He also served as music minister during his 32-year association with the church.

In addition to his wife, Verlene, Scott is survived by a daughter, a son and four grandchildren.

Last June 16, Third District Congressman Gresham Barrett (R-SC) delivered a speech in the House praising Scott as "a living legend." He said, "Abbeville is a better community because of Sandy Scott. Music education in South Carolina is better because of Sandy Scott."



Stay Connected with the Alumni Facebook Page

You can now keep up with the latest alumni news and events by joining the Lander University Alumni Affairs fan page on Facebook®. Created in the fall of 2009, the page is updated frequently with alumni information and current news on happenings at Lander, including sporting and cultural events. It also features photos to browse and links to other Lander-related pages.

Visit www.facebook.com/landeralumni to view the page or become a fan. You can also find a link to the page by going to the Alumni Affairs section of Lander's Web site: www.lander.edu/alumni-affairs.

The university also has a new Facebook page featuring general news and information. It can be found by clicking the Facebook icon on Lander's home page: www.lander.edu.

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**Office of Alumni Affairs, Lander University,
320 Stanley Avenue, Greenwood, SC 29649**

You can also submit information by calling Debbie Dill at 864-388-8351 or by e-mailing ddill@lander.edu.

Grads Given the Reins to the Nation

By Russell Martin



Coming out on top

Lander's top academic honor for fall 2009 graduates went to Teresa Ann Wilson of Hodges, who received the Thayer Award. The award is presented on behalf of the family of Dr. Henry K. Thayer to the graduating senior achieving the highest scholastic average, provided that the student has earned at least 60 credit hours in residence at Lander and that the student's grade point average is at least 3.75. An elementary education major, Wilson graduated summa cum laude and received a Golden L Award. From left, are: Dr. Lee Vartanian, Lander assistant professor of education; Teresa Ann Wilson; Dr. Judith Neufeld, dean of Lander's College of Education; Dr. Cynthia Gardner, Lander assistant professor of education; and Dr. Daniel Ball, Lander President.



Honoring friends and family

Three fall graduates were presented their degrees by friends and relatives who also have Lander ties. Pictured, from left, are: Linda Dolny, Lander Board of Trustees member and 1969 graduate; Jeremy Brown of North Augusta, early childhood education; Bobby Bowers, Lander Board of Trustees member; Beth Caskey of Columbia, business administration; Don Scott, Lander Alumni Association Board president and 1975 graduate; and Brock Scott of Greenwood, mass communication.



As he looked out over the 219 graduation candidates shrouded in blue at Lander's fall commencement on Dec. 19, former U.S. Ambassador David Wilkins shared a message about the country this group of new alums would be inheriting. His message was one of patriotism, one of sacrifice and one of hope.

Wilkins recounted experiences that showed him how appreciated the United States is by those living beyond its borders, and he explained how volunteer soldiers were working hard to make countries like Afghanistan better places. Wilkins also reminded students of the sacrifices made by U.S. volunteers and citizens on Sept. 11, 2001, and he told graduates of the financial and medical contributions their nation makes to the world year-round.

"For more than 233 years, the men and women of this nation have endeavored to keep America the brightest of lights in an imperfect world," explained Wilkins. "And now it is your time – your minds and endeavors will shape this great country you are inheriting."

During the ceremonies, the university conferred an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on Wilkins, who, in addition to his service as a U.S. Ambassador, served 25 years in the South Carolina House of Representatives. Wilkins is currently a partner at Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough, LLP, where he

chairs the Public Policy and International Law practice group.



Honored guest

Lander President Dr. Daniel Ball, right, greets former U.S. Ambassador David Wilkins prior to the University's fall commencement exercises.

Nursing grads give 100 percent

Left: These 10 students, who were among Lander's fall nursing graduates, passed the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses. They are, front row, from left: Mary Beth Kalbfleisch of Saluda; Crystal Dickson of Laurens; Khalidah Ali of Columbia; and Emily Horne of Abbeville. Back row, from left: Dana Schultz of Greenwood; Addie Tomlinson of Kingstree; Cortney King of Honea Path; Meghan Hawley of Orangeburg; Kristen Smith of Greenwood and Kim Abrams of Laurens.

News Briefs

Baptist Mission Trips: “We Learn from Each Other”

When they tuned in to watch televised Olympic events in February, several Lander students and alumni recognized many sports venues as places they visited early this year during a Canadian mission trip to Vancouver, British Columbia, which hosted the winter games.

Lander's Baptist Collegiate Ministry (BCM) sponsored the Dec. 29-to-Jan. 8 mission, and those who made the trip interacted with high school and college students among Vancouver's Chinese population.

BCM president Meredith Newman, a senior nursing student from Columbia, said they spent time building relationships with the Chinese students as they discussed such topics as education, religion and family. They also teamed up for recreational activities, including visiting Olympic sites.

The Lander students agreed that it was a good cultural exchange and that the two sides learned from each other.

The three other current Lander students who took part in the trip were sophomore business major Austin Fuller of Greenwood; Lacy Little of Abbeville, a sophomore exercise science major; and senior Jamie Lewis, an early childhood education major from St. George.

The Lander graduates on the mission were Charles Smith, a 2008 graduate in mass communication and a BCM semester missionary and team leader; his sister, Cherry Smith, who received a visual arts degree in 2006; and Crystal Pryor Goforth of Clinton, an assistant in collegiate ministry and a 2005 graduate with a degree in biology.



Members of Lander's Baptist Collegiate Ministry and the Chinese citizens who hosted the group's mission trip to Vancouver, British Columbia, earlier this year.

The Smiths are the son and daughter of Scott Smith, the longtime director of Lander's Baptist Collegiate Ministry. He said BCM members have taken part in several summer missions to distant cities where they performed all manner of hands-on labor in food banks, soup kitchens, battered women shelters and schools.

“The students return home with a different perspective and a deeper appreciation of their faith and what they have,” Smith said.

BCM members also volunteer at churches and social service agencies in the Greenwood area.

BCM offers Bible study, worship services and other events at its center on West Cambridge Avenue, drawing about 250 Lander students and alumni each week.

“There's No Business ...

like show business.” When actress Ethel Merman belted out that and other Broadway show tunes, and when Fred Astaire danced his way across the silver screen, their performances inspired untold numbers of people to explore careers on the musical stage and in films.

Lander students interested in following in their footsteps can choose a new musical theatre minor that the Department of Mass Communication and Theatre will introduce in the fall of 2010.

Associate professor Monique Sacay-Bagwell said Lander's fine arts and performing arts students have traditionally appeared in a variety of productions. “It seemed to make sense to offer them credit for their work.”

Open to students in any major, the musical theatre minor will include courses in technical production; acting; musical theatre history; introductory, intermediate and advanced dance techniques; and two voice courses.

Students will also be encouraged to audition for a Lander theatre production, a community musical production or the University Singers.

The musical theatre minor will be structured to develop students into what Sacay-Bagwell termed “triple threats,” who can sing, dance and act. “The objective is to increase the talent pool and produce well-rounded performers,” she added.



Equestrian Ribbon Cutting

The Lander University Equestrian Center officially opened its doors in October with a ribbon cutting ceremony and riding demonstration at the new complex, located on the campus of Burton Center in Greenwood. About 200 people braved rainy weather to tour the center's new stable and outdoor riding arena, which were part of the first phase of construction on the 37-acre center.

As well as being home to Lander's equestrian team, the center will house facilities for hippotherapy and therapeutic riding programs for Burton Center consumers and others with disabilities and special needs in the community. Currently, the therapeutic riding program and equestrian team are sharing a barn until the second phase of construction is complete. The center's buildings, stables and riding trails will also serve as a dynamic learning environment

for equine-related academic opportunities for Lander students.

The equestrian center is the result of a unique partnership between the university, The Lander Foundation and Burton Center, and when complete, it will be the only one of its kind in South Carolina.



Pictured, Lander president Dr. Daniel Ball, left, and Burton Center executive director Jimmy Burton cut the ribbon signaling the grand opening of the Lander University Equestrian Center.

Enrollment Spike Prompts Housing Study

When Lander opened its doors for the fall 2009 semester, more than 2,900 students were waiting to enter, an increase of over 11 percent from 2008 when measured on a full-time-equivalency basis. And the number of students who applied for university housing was up by one-third, forcing the Housing and Residence Life Department to scramble to find enough residential space to meet the demand.

About two weeks before move-in day, Lander acquired beds for 100 students when it leased the former Inn on the Square in Uptown Greenwood.

The prospect of enrollment continuing to grow, and with it demand for residential space, has prompted a study to determine housing needs over the next several years. DP3 Architects of Greenville was hired to draft a master plan based in part on focus groups with students. It will consider the cost of renovation and construction, comfort and safety, and other options, such as apartments for married students.

Dr. Josie Ryan: Math Teacher and Origami Expert

According to Japanese legend, someone who folds 1,000 origami cranes has pleased the gods and will be granted a wish. If the legend is true, Dr. Josie Ryan, Lander assistant professor of mathematics, has a wish coming her way.

Ryan folded 1,000 origami cranes for an exhibit in the annual Creche Festival at Mepkin Abbey in Moncks Corner last November. It took her 10 months, two weeks and one day to fold, string and hang the cranes on a 14-foot-tall sweetgum tree at Mepkin.

Her interest in origami began 10 years ago after receiving a book on origami from her mother as a Christmas gift, but folding 1,000 cranes was her most ambitious undertaking. "It was fun to see it come together," she said.

Origami originated in first-century China, where the crane is a symbol of wisdom, and spread to Japan, where the crane is considered a bird of happiness and peace.

While origami can be considered a hobby, Ryan said it also has important applications in mathematics, which is her specialty. Modular origami can be used to build three-dimensional geometric objects called polyhedra. Mathematicians have also developed math concepts that include using origami folds to solve equations.

Folding one crane takes about eight minutes and, when finished, it fits in the palm of her hand. It took Ryan another two weeks to fold origami angels and a nativity scene, which were also on display at the Mepkin festival.

When she is not teaching or folding, Ryan practices aikido, the Japanese martial art, and is a second-degree brown belt ikkyu. She said aikido helps keep her physically fit and healthy, and is founded on principles she finds personally beneficial, such as calmness in motion and the spirit of loving protection for all living things.

A native of Dunedin, Fla., Ryan joined Lander's mathematics faculty in 2008 after four years as an assistant math professor at Milligan College in Tennessee, where she obtained her bachelor's degree. She has a master's from Wake Forest University in North Carolina and a doctorate from the University of South Carolina.



Lander assistant professor of mathematics Dr. Josie Ryan is dwarfed by a 14-foot sweetgum tree decorated with 1,000 origami cranes that she folded over a 10-month period for a holiday exhibit at Mepkin Abbey, in Moncks Corner.

Equestrian Program Offers New Minor

Lander's equestrian program will expand next fall to include a minor in therapeutic horsemanship, a form of equine-assisted activity for children and adults. Program director Nancy Poston said the new minor will allow students to obtain special instruction in therapeutic riding while majoring in another subject.

Program coordinator Beth Wood said therapeutic riding teaches people with disabilities to ride a horse with the help of three assistants: one leading the horse and one walking on each side of the rider. The movement of the animal as it walks provides rhythmic and repetitive motion that improves the rider's neurological and sensory functions.

Wood has an occupational therapy degree from the University of Alabama and a master's in zoology from Southern Illinois University. She is certified as an instructor by the North American Riding for the Handicapped Association.

Wood directed the therapeutic horsemanship program at the Whitten Center in Clinton for six years before coming to Lander last September.

The university will build a Therapeutic Horsemanship Complex at the Equestrian Center and expects to have it ready for use before the end of the year. The complex will house classrooms, offices and an indoor arena. The Lander Equestrian

Center is located on the grounds of Burton Center in Greenwood.

Lander's therapeutic riding program coordinator Beth Wood, left, and Lander Equestrian Center director Nancy Poston pose with T-Bone, one of the center's horses. Next fall, the university will introduce a minor in therapeutic horsemanship, which uses horses to provide physical therapy for people with disabilities.



Mufuka Delivers Speech at Global Conference

Lander professor emeritus of history Dr. Kenneth Mufuka delivered the opening speech at Zimbabwe's Global Conference in London in October. The conference was sponsored by the Christian Conference of Great Britain and Zimbabwe affiliated groups. Mufuka spoke on the roles

that Zimbabwean refugees and exiles will play in the eventual rebuilding of that country.

Mufuka has sponsored 78 students through Lander over a period of 30 years. He was nominated patron and chief spokesperson for the Zimbabwe Global Forum, an organization representing approximately three million refugees from Zimbabwe.

Take a Tour of Campus – Online

This past fall, Lander unveiled an addition to the university's Web site that allows prospective students and visitors to take a tour of campus ... without having to leave home.

The Lander University Virtual Tour Experience, designed and produced by University Relations staff members Bryan Webster and Russell Martin, offers a 360-degree look at more than 80 locations on campus, including buildings, classrooms, athletic facilities and residence halls. The site also includes a photo gallery of campus events, and plans are under way to feature a video gallery in the future.

To take a virtual stroll across the campus grounds, visit www.lander.edu/campus/.



New Book Honors 75th Anniversary of South Carolina State Parks



Jon Holloway, Lander assistant professor of art, supplied the photography for a new book, released in September 2009, marking the 75th anniversary of South Carolina State Parks. Titled *Beautiful Places: The Timeless Beauty of South Carolina State Parks* and published by the S.C. Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, the book contains over 100 photos of 47 state parks. "The book is a wonderful celebration of South Carolina and the natural world," said Holloway. *Beautiful Places* was written by Chad Prosser and contains a forward by South Carolina native and naturalist Rudy Mancke. It also features a history of the parks by state historian Cal Harrison. Printed on environmentally responsible paper certified by the Forestry Stewardship Council and the Sustainable Forestry Initiative, *Beautiful Places* was produced with support from FUJIFILM Manufacturing U.S.A., Inc. and BMW Manufacturing Co.



Craton's New Book Looks at Freak Show Imagery in Victorian Fiction



In November, Dr. Lillian Craton, Lander assistant professor of English, enjoyed the completion of a project she has been working on throughout the last decade, with the release of her new book titled *The Victorian Freak Show: The Significance of Disability and Physical Differences in 19th Century Fiction*. Published by Cambria Press, the book examines Victorian fiction from the vantage point of a new field of literary re-

search Craton says is commonly referred to as Disability Studies.

"In particular, it examines how novelists like Dickens, Wilkie Collins and Florence Marryat employ imagery of odd bodies that was floating around in Victorian culture because of the popularity of freak shows in 19th century England," said Craton. "The book argues that these images are sometimes used in an exploitive way – like freak shows themselves – but, surprisingly, are sometimes reimagined in positive ways that make Victorian culture more inclusive."



Lander Brings Media to the Masses

The announcement this fall that Lander was introducing a new campus radio station was just one of many new developments for

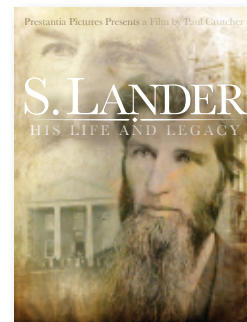


the university's Department of Mass Communication and Theatre – developments that have launched students' talents and interests, and the campus

as a whole, into a broader stream of media. In addition to 1610-AM XLR Lander Radio, students are the driving force behind an online edition of The Lander Forum, Lander's student newspaper, and they are producing, writing and hosting a show titled *Lander Today* on Northland Cable's Greenwood-area government access channel. The university has embraced these new developments as faculty, staff and students tune in to the content daily, and as DJs and radio staff settle into their newly constructed station located in Lander's Marion Carnell Learning Center. To start enjoying this growing abundance of student media: stream Lander's new radio station online at www.lander.edu/radio; visit The Forum Online at www.landerforum.com; and, Greenwood-area Northland Cable subscribers, tune in to Channel 9 at 8 a.m. or 7 p.m. for a dose of *Lander Today*.

Film Highlighting the Life of the Rev. Samuel Lander Released

S. Lander – His Life and Legacy, the film that tells the story of Lander University's founder, premiered in October. From as far north as Toronto, Canada, and as far west as San Carlos, Calif., nearly 100 descendents of the Rev. Samuel Lander were on hand for the event. They came back to Lander with a sense of pride in their heritage and they left the auditorium with a renewed commitment to carrying on the Rev. Lander's legacy for generations to come.



The film was written and co-produced by Paul Crutcher, Lander's broadcast and emerging media specialist, and Dr. Robert Stevenson, chair of Lander's Department of Mass Communication and Theatre. Both were elated to have members of the Lander family on campus to view the project the two had spent 15 months completing.

"We had family members walk up and say, 'You just don't know how much this means to us, you captured the essence of Samuel Lander,'" explained Crutcher, who was also the film's director. "That really tells us we accomplished something with the film."

Stevenson added that beyond what the film means to the Lander family, "the film will boost the pride Lander students and alumni feel toward their university. Students seeing the film will know where the university came from and they will walk away wanting to do their best."

The DVD of *S. Lander – His Life and Legacy* is available for \$24.95. The disc has both the documentary film and the following special features: 45 minutes of behind-the-scenes footage; the documentary trailer; director's commentary and *Documenting the Documentary*, featuring the photos of Rachael Hughes, a senior Lander visual arts major. The DVD is available in Lander's Bearcat Shop, located in the university's Grier Student Center. Copies can also be purchased online at www.landermovie.com.

Many of the people involved in the making of *S. Lander – His Life and Legacy* were at the film premiere. Pictured, from left, are: Dr. Robert Stevenson, chair of Lander's Department of Mass Communication and Theatre and film writer and co-producer; Richard Whiting, executive editor of The (Greenwood) Index-Journal, who played the Rev. Lander's uncle and early educator; Paul Crutcher, Lander radio station manager and film writer, co-producer and director; Isaac Braaten, who played young Samuel Lander; and Elliott Sellars, a recent Lander graduate, who played a college-age Samuel Lander.



Honors International:



When it comes to promoting and participating in global education, Dr. John Moore says, "In the last five years, Lander has grown to be one of the leaders among colleges and universities our size." Moore, associate professor of philosophy, is the director of Lander's Honors International Program (HIP), which selects students for a semester of study at foreign colleges or universities with the goal of broadening their view of the world.

HIP focuses primarily on recruiting freshmen who have completed a rigorous high school curriculum, are in the top 10 percent of their graduating class and score 1,100 or higher on their Scholastic Aptitude Test. Current Lander students and transfer students may also apply.



Dr. John Moore,
Director of Lander's Honors
International Program

HIP participants usually go abroad in their sophomore or junior year, but before packing their bags, they must successfully complete honors seminars on global

themes taught by the faculty of Lander's four colleges.

Most students choose the University of Winchester or the University of Northampton in England. Each participant receives a \$1,000 presidential stipend, and Lander helps with travel and lodging arrangements. The university accepts the academic credits that students earn overseas.

Moore said host schools are carefully vetted to ensure the quality of their academic programs, security, and room and board. "We even counsel students on how to deal with homesickness," he said. "All of that is part of Lander's commitment to them."

He said by studying abroad, students demonstrate that they can be successful in Lander's small-school environment and at a larger, foreign school. "It is a valuable part of their resume when they go into the job market."

The Honors International Program was created in 1981 by then-Lander President Larry Jackson. Dr. Walter Patterson, professor emeritus of mathematics, was its first director. More than 150 Lander students have successfully completed HIP foreign studies since Jackson and Patterson introduced the program.

Senior Beth Burnette of Elberton, Ga., spent the fall 2009 semester studying at Sociedad Hispano Mundial in Granada, Spain. A major in Spanish and political science with a public administration emphasis, she received a Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship to underwrite her expenses.



Lander senior Beth Burnette of Elberton, Ga., left, stayed at the home of Virginia Rodríguez Morón, whom she referred to as her "host mom," when she spent the 2009 fall semester studying at Sociedad Hispano Mundial in Granada, Spain.

Burnette described her time in Spain as the experience of a lifetime. She said her teachers and the family she lived with in Granada did not speak English. "It made communication challenging but rewarding. I learned so much there, and so many concepts I learned at Lander suddenly became very clear."

She tells students: "If you are thinking about study abroad, do it. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain."

Jeremy Babb of North Augusta agrees with Burnette's advice. He is spending an Honors International semester in Washington, D.C., working in the office of Third District Congressman J. Gresham Barrett (R-SC). His job includes sorting mail, answering phones and performing other administrative duties. He has also attended congressional

A World of Experience

By Dave Lorenzatti

hearings and briefings.

Babb, a junior political science major, is the first Lander student chosen for the Washington Semester Internship Program, developed and administered by the University of South Carolina's Honors College.

He said the experience has far exceeded his expectations. "I am grateful to have had this extraordinary opportunity."

Andrew Willis, a junior political science major from Williston, will have the same opportunity as Babb when he spends the fall 2010 semester in Washington. Willis, who is president of the Political Science Association, is only the second Lander student selected for the program and, like Babb, he will have a paid internship in a congressional office.

John Moore said of the selections of Babb and Willis, "This reflects well on the quality of Lander's programs and the marketability of our students."

Art major Elizabethe Johnson of Greenwood will spend the fall 2010 semester in Osaka, Japan, the first Lander HIP student to choose a Japanese school. Johnson said she has been to Japan twice to help a missionary family teach English and perform other duties. "I chose Japan because I am thinking about going into mission work there and maybe teaching English as a second language."

Lander's Honors International Program has close contacts with the university's Study Abroad Program, whose director, Dr. DeWitt Stone, collaborates with HIP's John Moore. Stone said 49 Lander students had completed a regular semester abroad since he became director in

2004. Another nine have taken advantage of summer study opportunities at foreign schools.

The university also offers short-term overseas study tours led by Lander faculty members. Since 2005, 180 students have traveled to several countries, including England, France, Belgium, Germany, Mexico, Italy, Egypt, Greece and Ireland.

This year, three groups of students spent their spring break on foreign soil. Dr. Lillian Craton, assistant professor of English, escorted 15 students in her British literature course to England. She said, "The trip put a real face on the literature and history that we have been studying this semester."

Jon Holloway, assistant professor of art, took his photography students to County Mayo, Ireland, where they photographed the Irish countryside.

Dr. Carl Mentley, associate professor of Spanish, led a tour to Barcelona and Madrid, Spain, where students sampled a menu of Spanish cuisine. The trip also focused on history, art and architecture, and gave students opportunities to practice conversational Spanish.

Next fall, Lander will introduce a new program called Global Scholars. Lander President Daniel Ball said, like Study Abroad and Honors International, it is designed to produce leaders who have experienced the culture of other countries.

John Moore, who is on the team that will screen candidates, said they have already started receiving applications.

The panel will select up to 20 incoming freshmen who will, after one or two years at Lander, study at universities



Lander junior Jeremy Babb of North Augusta, right, had a front-row seat to view the workings of the federal government when he interned this spring in the Capitol Hill office of Third District Congressman J. Gresham Barrett (R-SC), left. Babb, a participant in the Honors International Program, was chosen for the Washington Semester Internship Program administered by the University of South Carolina Honors College.

in Argentina, Chile, England, Greece, Spain and elsewhere. Students would pay Lander's usual charges for tuition and fees, and the university will pay their tuition, and room and board at the host institution, round-trip airfare and other fees.

To be eligible, they must meet strict academic standards similar to the requirements for the Honors International Program.

Moore said Lander students who spend a semester at a foreign school find the experience to be a very special chapter in their lives. He acknowledged that there are opportunities for them to travel and do other things but added, "Study abroad emphasizes the *study* part."

BEARCAT ROUNDUP

Men's Soccer Adds to Championship Scrapbook

By David Hays



Jamie Ramm



Andy Ludewig



Stephen Magennis

Lander senior Jamie Ramm wanted to make sure his teammates could really “picture” the championship possibilities that lay ahead for the 2009 men’s soccer team, and the Bearcats responded by creating a new scrapbook of memories with a dramatic run to the Peach Belt Conference title.

Ramm desperately wanted a repeat of his 2006 freshman year when Lander won the coveted PBC championship trophy. So last summer, he filled the locker room with pictures to remind his teammates of what they were capable of accomplishing.

Above the lockers on one wall in the Bearcats’ dressing room was a large, black-and-white picture of the 2006 Peach Belt Conference championship ring resting on one of Ramm’s fingers balled up in a fist.

On other walls were black-and-white pictures of the team celebrating the 2006 PBC championship; one a silly picture of the players with the trophy, the other a professional-looking team photo with the trophy resting in front of the players.

With the nucleus of a talented and veteran team returning in 2009, Ramm believed the pictures would serve as daily reminders of the squad’s potential. Lander did not disappoint.

The Bearcats beat rival Clayton State 2-1 in overtime in an intense PBC semifinal match on Andy Ludewig’s third game-winning goal out of his four goals in 2009.

Lander then beat top seed Flagler to claim the trophy. The game was tied 2-2 after regulation and two overtimes, and the Bearcats outscored Flagler 4-3 in penalty kicks. Stephen Magennis clinched the victory with a chip down the middle that fooled the Flagler goalkeeper.

“I don’t normally get emotional. But that really hit me,” Ramm said of Magennis’s winning kick. “It was our last chance to win the Peach Belt Tournament. It was a great, great feeling, something that I will never forget.”



All PBC - First Team player Craig Hughes makes a play during a game at Lander. —Photo by Shawn Knox.

The Bearcats, under 24-year veteran coach Van Taylor, advanced to the NCAA Tournament for a fifth consecutive year, but lost in the first round to Carson-Newman, 2-0, to finish the season at 12-6-2.

Seniors Ramm, 2009 PBC Player of the Year Adam Arthur, Samy Beydoun, David Winskill, Ivan Stoykov, K.C. Dunbaker and Dylan Potts saw their careers come to a close. Arthur was a two-time All-American (2006, 2008) who totaled 47 career goals

with 29 assists, while Ramm was an All-American in 2007.

Key players eligible to return for another championship bid in 2010 include Magennis, Ludewig, 2008 PBC Player of the Year Aaron Brittain (37 career goals), All-PBC Craig Hughes, Alex Pethick, Ben Jones, Jamie Davison, Matthew Atkinson, Scott Playle and Matthew Bell.



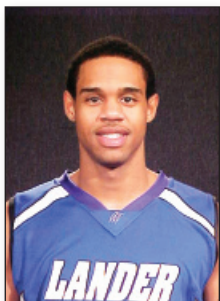
Coach Van Taylor



Adam Arthur

Burkhamer Era Begins with Rebuilding Season

When Jeff Burkhamer was hired as Lander's men's head basketball coach in March 2009, he knew he had a rebuilding project ahead. He inherited seven players, including five seniors, and brought in seven to fill the roster.



Dane Sparrow

Led by seniors Dane Sparrow and Brenton Harris, the Bearcats posted an 11-16 overall record, including 5-13 in the Peach Belt Conference.

Sparrow, a wing, averaged a team-best 14.6 points per game, finishing his career with 1,094. Connecting 57 shots behind the arc, he ranked sixth in the PBC in three-point field goal percentage and three-pointers per game.



Brenton Harris

Harris, a post player, averaged 10.7 points per game and a team-leading 7.4 rebounds. He finished his career with 641 career rebounds, ranking sixth on Lander's all-time list. Harris ranked third in the PBC in rebounds, and fifth in blocked shots per game and field goal percentage.

Burkhamer, who led Armstrong Atlantic State University to four appearances in the NCAA national tournament before joining the Bearcats, is working hard to recruit players to bring the same success to Lander.

Women's Soccer Moves Forward with Strong Year



Christina Barbour

With three seconds left in Lander's Peach Belt Conference tournament semifinal game against second-seeded Armstrong Atlantic State University, the third-seeded Lady Bearcats soccer team was tied 1-1 with dreams of playing in its first-ever conference tournament championship game and receiving a bid to the NCAA national tournament.

But Armstrong Atlantic hurriedly launched a corner kick and somehow scored from a chaotic mix in front of the goal to avoid the overtime and defeat Lander, 2-1. The crushing loss also burst Lander's "on the bubble" chance of getting a national tournament bid.

The Lady Bearcats finished the season 11-4-2 overall, the second most wins in a season for the 12-year program. In just four seasons as Lander's coach, Chris Ayer is 35-30-3 overall, including the two best seasons



Christin Moss

in Lander's history. The 2007 Lady Bearcats finished the season 13-5-0.

This season, the Lady Bearcats were led by All-PBC players Christina Barbour, a sophomore forward, and Christin Moss, a junior midfielder. Barbour led with nine goals and two assists for 20 points, while Moss had five goals and three assists for 13 points.

Freshman midfielder Jamie Shaw added eight goals and five assists, while sophomore goalkeeper Chelsea Beetch posted an 8-4-2 record with five shutouts and a 0.73 goals against average.

Moss, Rachel Datz, Georgie Mahon and Ashton Tatum were named to the PBC All-Academic team, which requires at least a 3.2 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and significant contribution to the team.

McCracken Leads Lander Volleyball to 18-Win Season

The Lander volleyball team narrowly missed its fourth consecutive 20-win season in 2009, finishing 18-15 overall. The No. 6 seed in the Peach Belt Conference, Lander upset third-seeded Augusta State, 3-2, in the first round before being eliminated by second-seeded Armstrong Atlantic State University, 3-0.

Prior to head coach Carla Decker's arrival, the program had never reached the 20-win plateau. In four years at Lander, she has amassed an overall 83-52 record.



Melissa McCracken

Melissa McCracken, a junior outside hitter, led Lander with a school-record 431 kills, finishing the season ranked second in the PBC with 3.59 kills per set.

McCracken, who was named to the All-Peach Belt team, became the first Lander player named the AVCA Division II National Player of the Week. She earned that honor on Oct. 27 after averaging 4.5 kills and 4.05 digs per set during the reporting week, which included a 32-kill, 15-dig performance against Lees-McRae in the four-game "Dig Pink" tournament. She also had 25 kills and 16 digs against Erskine.



Ashley Ferry

Ashley Ferry, a senior libero, was named the PBC's first-ever Libero/Defensive Specialist of the Year after totaling 499 digs to go along with 26 service aces. Ferry led the PBC in digs per game with 5.04 and had a season-high 38 against Erskine.

In only her third year, junior setter Candace LaRocca set the Lander career mark for assists with 3,645. In her freshman year, she set the single-season record for digs with 1,341.

Ferry, LaRocca and Magi Nottingham were named to the PBC All-Academic team, which requires at least a 3.2 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and significant contribution on the team.

Best Women's Basketball Season in School History Brings March Madness to Horne Arena

By David Hays



Coach Kevin Pederson
NCAA Division II Region 3
and PBC Coach of the Year



Shannon McKeever
All PBC first team



Brittni Johnson
All PBC second team



Ciara Lyons
All Conference third team

-Photos by Russell Martin & Scott Webster

Twenty-seven victories, 14 consecutive wins, a No. 7 national ranking, a Sweet 16 NCAA Tournament appearance and March Madness at Finis Horne Arena all added up to the best season in the history of the Lander women's basketball program.

And with all 12 players eligible to return, save the blue and gold body paint because there is potential to exceed this year's success in 2010-2011.

The Lady Bearcats won the Peach Belt Conference regular season championship and hosted the NCAA Southeast Regional for the first time. Lander routed Anderson University, 96-55, in the first round and pulled away from Carson-Newman, 94-67, in round two.

That set up a Southeast Regional championship showdown with Tusculum College for the right to advance to the national Elite Eight in St. Joseph, Mo.

The Lady Bearcats, playing in front of almost 2,000 fans at Horne Arena, where they had not lost all season, made their first eight shots from the floor to take the lead against Tusculum and send the crowd into a frenzy.

The fans, many with faces painted in school colors, watched Tusculum rally to within three points at halftime. The Lady Bearcats fell behind in the second half and would lose, 70-63.

Lander still shattered the school record for victories in a season, finishing 27-4.

"This season was a giant step forward for our women's basketball team," Lander coach Kevin Pederson said. "When the season began, we had three goals: to win twenty-plus games,

win the Peach Belt Conference, and make the Elite 8 of the National Tournament.

"We reached two out of three and came one game short of our third goal. We are extremely proud of the effort these girls brought to the court night-in and night-out."

Lander clinched its third PBC regular season championship Feb. 27 with a victory at Augusta State, finishing 17-1 in league play. The Lady Bearcats lost in overtime to Clayton State in the Peach Belt Tournament semifinals but had done more than enough to earn home-court advantage in the NCAA Tournament.

The good news is Shannon McKeever, Tasheba Butler, Kami Phillips and Katie Hupp return next season as seniors. Keondra Barnes, Brittni Johnson, Jasmine Judge, Ciara Lyons, Mukia Myrick, Nardia Robbins, Kaylyn Small and Brianna Webb are eligible to return as juniors.

McKeever made the All Peach Belt first team, leading the Lady Bearcats with 14.4 points and 9.3 rebounds per game. Johnson was named to the All PBC second team and Lyons was picked for the All Conference third team.

Pederson was named Peach Belt Conference and NCAA Division II Region 3 Coach of the Year after leading Lander into the NCAA Tournament for the third consecutive season.

"With everyone returning next year, we are very excited about our potential," Pederson said, looking to 2010-2011. "The emphasis will be to take one more step forward next season. A lot of people say there will be a bull's-eye on our back, and I hope there is, because if that's the case, we are doing something right."

RWS Project Gets Under Way With New Name and Director

By Dave Lorenzatti

Late last year, bulldozers began knocking down the remaining buildings and moving earth at the former strip mall on Montague Avenue in Greenwood that would become Lander's new Recreation, Wellness and Sports Complex, and the site has been a busy place ever since. Progress was hampered somewhat by rain and the discovery of asbestos debris that had been buried on a portion of the site some time ago and required removal under the supervision of the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control.

But work is continuing on those sections where the baseball stadium, tennis courts and soccer field will be situated.



At the groundbreaking ceremony last September, athletics director Jeff May said he was excited about the RWS Complex because it will be an asset for Lander and the entire Greenwood community. Six weeks later, he was stunned when told that the Board of Trustees had approved naming the facility the Jeff May Complex to honor his more than 40-year association with Lander.

May was an All-American basketball player during his student days at Lander and, after graduating in 1973 with a health, physical education and recreation degree, he held several administrative positions at the university. He was appointed athletics director in 1997.

President Daniel Ball said, "Putting Jeff May's name on the complex is a fitting tribute since his name is engraved on so many other good things that have happened to Lander in his years as a student and as an administrator."

In December, Ball appointed Alumni Affairs director Steve Grogan to oversee the operations of the RWS project.

Grogan spent his summers working in construction from about age 15 until he enrolled in graduate school. But he could not have imagined that, years later, he would be picked to supervise one of the largest building projects in Lander history.



"Steve has been a loyal and dedicated employee for 14 years as Alumni Affairs director. A former Lander athlete, he has an intrinsic love for athletics and has helped our Bearcat Club develop and expand over the years," said Ball. He added that Grogan's handyman nature, strong administrative skills, work ethic and commitment to Lander make him ideally suited to assume the new responsibility.

Ray Hunt, chairman of Lander's Board of Trustees, said the board is pleased that Grogan accepted the assignment. "Steve has been successful in every position he has held at Lander, and we expect him to do a great job supervising and managing this ambitious project."

May said, "We are very excited that Steve will be joining Bearcat Athletics as director of our new complex. He possesses all the skills required to manage what will be a state-of-the-art facility."

Grogan graduated from Lander in 1980 with a physical education degree and obtained a master's at Western Carolina University. The Westminster native will continue his Alumni Affairs duties while overseeing the RWS project. In July, he will transfer to the Athletics Department to supervise construction and, later, manage the complex.

Grogan expects the project to be completed by this fall or the spring of 2011, but the timetable depends on possible delays caused by weather or other circumstances. He said, "We are not rushing. We are taking our time to be sure we get it done right."

In addition to the baseball, softball and soccer fields, the complex will also be home to 12 tennis courts, a pavilion, intramural and practice fields, a walking and jogging track, and a field house.

Adam Taylor, vice president for University Advancement, said "We are encouraging Lander alumni, friends of the university and local businesses to partner with us to help underwrite the cost of the facility."

For information about financial support and naming opportunities at the Jeff May Complex, contact Taylor at 864-388-8350.



Lander Grads Team Up to Change the Face of Eldercare

By Dave Lorenzatti



Lander nursing graduates Shelly Stokes, left, Kevin Busby, standing, and Karen Nichols confer on a management plan at The Cottages at Brushy Creek in Greer, S.C., which follows the companion model of long-term care.

Shelly Stokes, Kevin Busby and Karen Nichols were classmates in Lander's nursing program and, after graduating in 1997, they embarked on separate career paths. Ten years later, they find themselves working together as pioneers promoting a new concept in eldercare in South Carolina.

Nichols is the administrator of The Cottages at Brushy Creek in Greer. Stokes is the nursing supervisor and Busby is the clinical nurse educator.

The facility is part of the Greenville Hospital System's Greer Medical Campus. Unlike traditional nursing homes, it follows

the companion model of eldercare, which is structured to give residents the comfort and security of knowing that someone is dedicated to assisting them with activities of daily living. They are cared for by specially trained certified nursing assistants who provide clinical care as well as companionship.

Nichols said the facility is the only one of its kind in South Carolina and one of 200 or fewer in the nation.

Elders, as the residents are called, live in one of 12 cottages where they have private rooms, take their meals and participate in a variety of activities, including exercise and recreation. They are also allowed to have pets. The Cottages is home to 144 elders and, like many other long-term-care facilities, it has a lengthy waiting list for admission.

Nichols, a native of Greenwood, was the director of nursing at Roger Huntington Nursing Center in Greer, a skilled nursing home in the Greenville Hospital System. While in that position, she was on the team of professionals who created The Cottages and designed staff training standards to follow the companion model. In 2007, Roger Huntington was shut down and the new facility opened its doors with Nichols as its administrator.

After graduating from Lander's nursing program, she accepted a job at Wesley Commons in Greenwood, which was her first experience in long-term-care nursing. She worked there for three years and was instrumental in creating a statewide alliance that advocates for eldercare. Later, she was a long-term-care consultant for Action Pact, in Milwaukee, Wis.

Nichols, who also has a psychology degree from the University of South Carolina, is the sister of Mary Hughston, the coach of Lander's Equestrian Team. Nichols' husband, Michael, graduated from Lander in 1992, and they have three daughters.

In 2009, she reconnected with former classmate Shelly Newton Stokes. They both are congregants at John Knox Presbyterian Church in Greenville, and their daughters are best friends.

Stokes came to Lander from her home in Greenville and, after obtaining her nursing degree, she worked in the Greenville Hospital System for five years as a cardiothoracic intensive care unit nurse. She also has three years' experience in critical-care nursing and nursing education at St. Francis Hospital in Greenville.

In 2009, Nichols offered Stokes a part-time nursing position at The Cottages and she accepted. A few months later, she became a full-time employee and was named the facility's nursing supervisor. She is married to Greenwood native Ben Stokes, and they have two children.

Anderson native Kevin Busby was studying for his master's degree in nursing at Clemson University when he and Nichols met for the first time since graduating from Lander in 1997. At the time, they were being inducted into Sigma Theta Tau, nursing's honor society, and Busby was a student in a long-term-care course that Nichols was teaching at Clemson.

After obtaining his nursing degree, Busby worked as an intensive care unit nurse at Anderson Hospital, and later, he became



In addition to their supervisory responsibilities, Busby, Stokes and Nichols frequently spend time visiting and chatting with elders in their care at The Cottages at Brushy Creek.

the epidemiology coordinator for the S.C. Department of Health and Environmental Control. Then he left health care and worked in construction where he became familiar with OSHA safety requirements. Four years later, he accepted a nursing position at Patrick Harris Hospital in Anderson. He and his wife, Brenda, have two children.

Nichols, Stokes and Busby agree that their education at Lander gave them a good foundation for their health care careers, especially their positions at The Cottages where care is elder-directed. They said they all have the same core nursing values based on the Neuman Systems Model, which is the foundation of Lander's nursing program.

Theresa Gunter Lawson, a Lander nursing graduate and instructor in the university's Department of Nursing, is a member of the Neuman Systems board of directors. She said the model focuses on caring for the whole client, with emphasis on physiological, psychological, social, cultural and other factors.

"It calls for all aspects of client care to be addressed rather than just the biology of diseases, which is so often the focus in medicine," she said. It also emphasizes illness prevention.

Kevin Busby added, "Lander stressed the difference between the science of nursing and the art of nursing."

Has their friendship as former Lander classmates affected their ability to work together? Nichols said their working relationship is based on camaraderie and trust, and Busby remarked, "We can be real with each other."

Stokes described their jobs as a calling. "The constant challenge is to find ways to improve." She said while each member of the staff at The Cottages has specific responsibilities, they work outside their job descriptions when necessary. It is not uncommon to find Nichols, Stokes and Busby stepping out of their roles as managers to perform other tasks, such as feeding elders.

"We do what has to be done," said Stokes.

Nichols added, "We are always challenging ourselves. We want to be an example for the rest of the country."

She, Stokes and Busby are convinced that if they are successful at The Cottages, the companion model they are helping to perfect could replace traditional eldercare in a matter of years.



A Man of Many Talents

Ralph Patterson Takes a Key Position at Lander

By Dave Lorenzaffi



Ralph Patterson, Lander's new director of Development, says his parents taught him, "It's important to do your best and get involved." He certainly took their advice to heart during a working career that has spanned almost 25 years.

Patterson has coached high school and college basketball and is a part-time scout for the NBA Phoenix Suns. He has also worked in university alumni affairs and advancement. For three years, he was mayor of Due West and served as coordinator of activities for the town's Recreation Association. He has experience as a radio play-by-play sports broadcaster and television color commentator. And he is a husband and father of two sons.

It was when the Boulder, Colo., native was attending the University of Colorado that he got his first taste of coaching, as head coach of the boys' junior varsity basketball team at his high school alma mater in Boulder. He earned a bachelor's degree in organizational management from Ashford University in Clinton, Iowa, and was an assistant basketball coach at Colorado for five seasons.

He left Boulder to become assistant basketball coach at Appalachian State University in Boone, N.C., where he met his wife of 22 years, Lynn, and where their two sons, Reggie and Ricky, were born. Lynn is a first-grade teacher at Cherokee Trail Elementary School in Donalds. Reggie is a sophomore at the College of Charleston; Ricky, a senior at Dixie High School in Due West, will be a freshman at Appalachian State next fall.

In 1992, Erskine College hired Patterson as head coach of the men's basketball team, a position he held for seven years.

When his coaching days were over, he began hosting a daily radio sports show in Clemson and Greenville and got involved in televised sports broadcasting. He is the co-host of the *Tiger Tailgate Show* on the Clemson Football Radio Network and does occasional guest spots as a television color analyst.

He returned to Erskine to serve as director of Alumni Affairs and Annual Giving. His next role would be vice president for Advancement, the position he held before joining Lander in January. In all, he worked at Erskine for 13 years.

Patterson said he has a passion for college basketball, a trait he inherited from his father, who was the rector of an Episcopal church in Boulder and chaplain at the University of Colorado. He described his father as "a sports nut"

who was the university's public address announcer for years.

He credits his success in coaching, broadcasting, higher education and town government to his ability to work with people. "I love to meet people. It helps me put my best foot forward."

One of his priorities as development director is to convince Lander alumni, friends, foundations and corporations that the university needs their financial support, especially in light of cuts in state funding. "The need is crucial," he said. He also wants to make people understand that Lander is worthy of their gifts. "Exciting things are going on here."

Patterson's immediate focus is raising funds for the Jeff May Complex, Lander's recreation, wellness and sports center, which is under construction on Montague Avenue in Greenwood and is scheduled to open in the fall. He will also drum up financial support for Lander's new Equestrian Center, located on the campus of Burton Center.

He said, "I'm happy to be a part of the phenomenal things that Lander is capable of accomplishing."

Adam Taylor, vice president for University Advancement, said, "We are happy that Ralph accepted the director of Development position, which is critical to Lander's ability to continue offering a quality education to students who come to us from all over the country." Taylor, who oversees Lander's development functions, added that Patterson's diverse background will serve him and the university well as he interacts with people at all levels in the community.



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If you have any questions, please feel free to call 864-388-8350 or e-mail me at ataylor@lander.edu.

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July 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009

Annual Type Gifts	\$ 422,703.25
Bearcat Club Gifts	155,486.96
Grants through the University	332,000.00
RWS Complex	21,630.10
In-Kind Gifts	89,679.87
Trusts, Estates and Other	<u>1,010,262.10</u>
Total Funds Collected	\$2,031,762.28
Pledges Outstanding 09/10 (payroll ded.)	<u>16,247.85</u>
Total Gifts to Date	\$2,048,010.13
RWS Complex 7/1/06 – 12/31/09	1,077,273.53
RWS Pledges Outstanding 06 - 09	<u>1,673,791.93</u>
Total RWS to date	\$2,751,065.46

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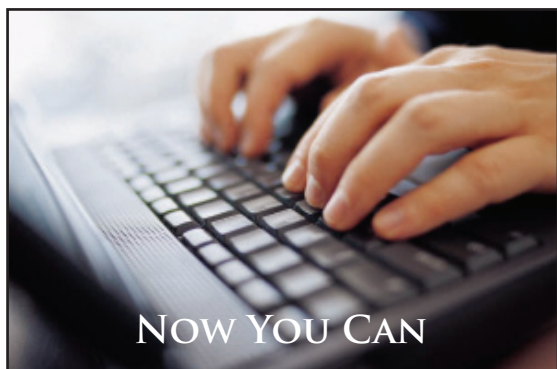
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Online Giving Grows in Popularity

Recent reports point to a significant increase in charitable giving by people using the Internet, and Lander is encouraging potential donors to consider online giving as an easier way to support university programs and scholarships.

Alumni Affairs director Steve Grogan said, "Many people are comfortable with using the Internet for banking, so we are offering an alternative to making a gift by check."

Contributing to Lander online starts by accessing the university's Web site, www.lander.edu. Clicking on the "Giving" tab opens a second page where donors can select "Give Online."

Peggy Gorham-Cromer, accountant for University Advancement and The Lander Foundation, said federal regulations require donors to create an account to protect identity and credit card information. First-time users of the site are asked to choose a username, password and security question before being directed to the actual donor page.

Once there, donors can specify the amount of their gift and designate the recipient from the drop-down menu of departments, programs and scholarships. They may also designate a different recipient if their choice is not on the list by making a notation in the comments section.

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For more information about giving online, contact the Office of University Advancement at 864-388-8350.

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Scholarship Established in Memory of Kia Logan

Few who were living in Greenwood County in the late 1980s have forgotten the story of Malakia "Kia" Logan, whose life ended tragically at age 8. Now Kia's name will live on in the Malakia Logan Memorial Scholarship, which was recently established at Lander.

The process of creating the scholarship began when the Greenwood County Sheriff's Office realized that money collected from family and friends to establish a reward fund for the Logan case remained unused. The reward fund was originally opened by Countybank with an initial donation of \$2,000. Through the combined efforts of Kia's family and former Greenwood County Sheriff Sam Riley, retired FBI Agent John Fradella and current Sheriff Tony Davis, the account balance of \$20,328.68 was donated to form the scholarship, which will help fund the education of deserving Lander students.

Kia lived most of her life in Greenwood and she loved school – two of the main reasons why her family chose to establish the scholarship at Lander, family said.

The scholarship will be awarded annually from fund income to a full-time, incoming freshman with a GPA of 2.5 or higher who has a financial need. The recipient must be a resident of Greenwood, Saluda, Edgefield, McCormick, Laurens, Newberry or Abbeville counties. The student must also be an education or nursing major. Lander will begin awarding the scholarship for the fall 2010 semester. Former Sheriff Riley and Sheriff Davis agreed that, "members of the community supported the Logan family when in need, and now those funds will support those in need with educational opportunities."

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NHC Healthcare Continues Support of Health Care Management Program



NHC Healthcare in Greenwood has made another gift to Lander's health care management program. From the left, NHC Administrator Rick Sellars; Dr. Deborah Natvig, director and professor of health care management at Lander; Renee Tinsley, director of nursing at NHC and a Lander graduate; and Lander president Dr. Daniel Ball.

Lander's health care management (HCMT) program has received another donation from NHC Healthcare in Greenwood, raising to nearly \$40,000 the amount the long-term-care organization has donated to the program since 2001.

Administrator Rick Sellars, who presented a check for \$5,400 to Dr. Deborah Natvig, professor of health care management, said the money represented Lander's share of the proceeds from NHC's annual golf tournament. "The donation is in line with our corporate policy of supporting programs that educate health care specialists for careers in long-term care."

Natvig, who is the director of the health care management emphasis in Lander's Department of Business Administration, said the program combines business and health care fundamentals that help students acquire the skills and knowledge necessary to obtain management jobs in health care.

Contributions from NHC have been used to purchase educational materials for HCMT courses and to supplement research material on gerontology in Lander's Jackson Library.

Several Lander graduates are on the NHC nursing staff, including Renee Tinsley, a 1984 graduate, who is director of nursing at the Greenwood facility.

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Alum Establishes Scholarship for Students from His Community



Since graduating from Lander in 1995, Brian McDermott has looked for ways to give back to his alma mater. One significant way he has given back in the past is by attending Lander career fairs and recruiting students into the

workforce after their graduation. But in 2009 he began making contributions that will help students with their education from start to finish when he and his wife established the Brian and Mandi McDermott Scholarship.

McDermott and his business partner, Eric Smith, '96, both arrived at the scholarship idea through discussions about the best ways to give back to Lander. The result was each alum starting his own scholarship. "I wanted to help students from the area where I grew up, around Irmo and Chapin," said McDermott.

Specifically, the McDermott scholarship can be awarded to a freshman who is a graduate of Chapin High School, Irmo High School or Dutch Fork High School in Columbia. The student must also demonstrate financial need and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. One thing that is different about McDermott's scholarship in comparison to many of the scholarships at Lander is that each year he and his wife donate the amount that is awarded in scholarship funds. The McDermott's hope to raise their contributions each year, so that their scholarship can benefit even more students.

McDermott cited his main reason for establishing the scholarship as his desire for students to enjoy the same Lander experience that he looks back on with pride. "People who are still my best friends today are the people I met at Lander," said McDermott. "I want other people to be able to participate in what I saw was great at the university."

McDermott is chief executive officer of Solutions Logistics, Inc., a trucking brokerage firm in Irmo, where he lives with his wife, Mandi, and their four children, Brandon, Molly, Brady and Cassidy.

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Young Alum Gives Meaningful Gift of Education

When Eric Smith, Class of 1996, and his wife, Megan, decided to move back to South Carolina in 2006, one of Eric's personal goals was to become more involved with his alma mater. Through discus-

sions regarding ways to give back to Lander, Smith and his business partner, Brian McDermott, '95, decided that founding scholarships would be the best way to impact the lives of students. So, in 2009 the Smith's founded the Eric and Megan Smith Scholarship.

"I had a wonderful time at Lander," said Eric Smith. "I learned so much and wanted to give back to the institution that helped me be successful. I thought it would be more personal to start a scholarship than to give to the foundation in smaller amounts."

The Smith scholarship is awarded to a student with financial need who is a returning Lander student and a mem-

ber of a university-recognized student organization, with preference given to Greek organizations. The scholarship is renewable given that the student maintains a 2.5 GPA. Each year Smith and his wife donate the amount that is awarded in scholarship funds. Their hope is to increase their contribution each year, making a Lander education affordable to even more students. "As we continue to be successful, I hope to give more to, and even double, the amount I give each year," Smith said.

Smith and his business partner, McDermott, have also been giving back to Lander over the years by providing students with job opportunities.

"We've come up for the Lander career fair for the last two years," said Smith. "We currently have one employee who went to Lander, and we interviewed someone else from Lander recently." Smith also said that job openings from his company, Solutions Logistics, Inc., where he serves as chief operating officer, are posted to Lander's Career Services Web site.

Eric and Megan Smith live in Irmo with their daughter, Ainsley.

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By Russell Martin

In January, the shockwaves of a 7.0-magnitude earthquake in Haiti had barely reached the shores of the United States before outcries of support began pouring into agencies such as the American Red Cross. At Lander, the discussion of how to help the survivors of this overwhelming disaster began during *The Breakfast Club with Paul Crutcher*, Lander XLR radio's morning show.

Crutcher and his co-hosts began discussing what could be done around campus to raise funds for Haiti victims. Before the show was over, all wings of Lander's Student Media, (The Forum student newspaper, The Forum Online and the radio station) had joined forces with Lander's Dining Services to raise money for the cause. On Jan. 14, Lander's Dining Services offered free lunch in the dining hall for any cash donations made to the Haiti Relief Fund. Student Media representatives set up tables in Lander's Johnston Commons to collect for the fund. By the end of the week the Bearcat Shop joined the efforts by raffling off a book bag filled with \$125 worth of student essentials. These groups received donations from offices and individuals across campus. When all was said and done, the group donated a total of \$1,359.58 to the American Red Cross.

Other groups on campus raised money for Haiti and donated the funds to the Red Cross as well. Lander's chapter of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity held a weeklong fundraiser in which they sold blue Maltese crosses for \$1 and gold crosses for \$5. In all the group raised \$1,000.10.

However, not all of Lander's efforts were directed toward the Red Cross. The university's Department of Nursing hosted several events to raise money for Haiti's only school of nursing, which was one of the many buildings damaged during the initial quake and later aftershocks. The events included a movie night, a raffle and a penny war. As of March 26, Lander's Department of Nursing had raised \$3,138.80 for the Haiti Nursing Foundation.

"The outpouring of donations on our campus for this cause is amazing without question," said Dr. Daniel Ball, Lander president. "The contributions made by Lander students, faculty and staff should go a long way, in conjunction with donations made nationwide, to provide relief to those suffering in Haiti."

From bake sales to raffles, Lander student organizations and individuals beyond those mentioned have continued to raise money for these causes. A final support tally may never be available, but there is no doubt that the Lander community gave graciously and quickly to aid those in need after the Haiti quakes.

Haiti Relief Pours in from Across Campus



Members of Lander's Alpha Tau Omega chapter sold crosses like this to raise money for Haiti earthquake victims. Overall, the group raised \$1,000.10.



Lander nursing students show off the pennies they collected in the department's "Penny War." This fundraising project was one of many undertaken by Lander's Department of Nursing to benefit Haiti's only school of nursing. As of March 26, Lander's nursing fundraisers had amassed \$3,138.80.



The staff of Lander's XLR Lander Radio collect funds to support the university's general Haiti Relief Fund. From left, are: Terrance Scott of Baton Rouge, La.; Tim Thomas of Trenton; Paul Crutcher, Lander's broadcast and emerging media specialist; Kayla Blackwell of Greenwood and Katisha Limehouse of Moncks Corner.



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Bearcats Celebrate Peach Belt Conference Victory



The Lander Bearcats were all smiles on Nov. 8, 2009, as they celebrated their first Peach Belt Conference Tournament men's soccer championship since 2006. Led by senior and tournament Most Valuable Player Jamie Ramm (holding trophy), who scored two goals, second-seeded Lander beat top-seeded Flagler College in a shootout in the Peach Belt Conference tournament championship game at Blanchard Woods Park in Evans, Ga. After the game ended 2-2 in regulation and two scoreless overtime periods,

the Bearcats edged out Flagler, 4-3, in the shootout. Lander's Adam Arthur, David Winskill, Craig Hughes and Stephen Magennis made penalty kicks in the shootout. Bearcats goalkeeper Matthew Atkinson stopped Flagler's second and fourth attempts, and Magennis scored the game-winner, leading to the big celebration on the field after the match. Lander made its fifth consecutive NCAA Tournament appearance, but lost in the first round at Carson-Newman. -Photo by Bob Stoner